INDEPENDENT SUPERMARKETS
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Independent retail supermarkets and the wholesalers that supply them play a vital role in the communities they serve and are a major contributor to the economy of the United States and Montana. Defined as a privately held, or family-owned entrepreneurial business, independent supermarket operators run businesses of all formats and sizes, and are dedicated to their customers, associates and communities.

### Stores and Sales

In Montana, the independent supermarket channel includes 78 stores and generates $362.55 million in annual sales.

### Jobs and Wages

In Montana, independent supermarket operators are responsible for creating 2,590 stable, reliable jobs and $78.88 million in wages paid.

### Taxes

In Montana, independent supermarkets and the wholesalers that serve them are a major source of tax revenue for federal, state and local governments. Together the independent channel and their employees generate about $32.12 million in state and local tax and $31.59 million in federal taxes. The combined total in the State of Montana is $63.71 million.

### National Impact

The economic impact of the independent supermarket industry reaches all 50 states and the District of Columbia. Nationally there are 21,000 independently owned supermarkets that generate $131 billion in annual sales, representing nearly 25% of the total domestic market.

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